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For: VOCALISATION OF TRADING DATA IN

TRADING SYSTEMS

Examiner: Jessica Lemieux

## **AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION**

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Before issuance of the next Office Action, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

### FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present		Rate	Additional Fee
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# **CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST**

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had clapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 CFR 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 CFR 1.135. The fee under 37 CFR 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2215.

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